

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Weiss *et al.*

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For: TRAVELLING FIELD FOR PACKAGING ION BEAMS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

S I R:

Prior to substantive review of the subject application, please amend as follows: